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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A fee of \$172.00 is required for 2 claims converted from dependent to independent form. No additional fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any additional fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to LSI Logic Corporation Deposit Account No. 12-2252. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to LSI Logic Corporation Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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